

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application of:	)	
	)	
Simon et al.	)	Attorney Docket: 32355.12.44.4
	)	
Serial No.: 10/675,660	)	Group Art Unit: 3738
	)	
Filed: 30 September 2003	)	Examiner: Willse, David H.
	)	
For: CARTILAGE REPAIR PLUG	)	
	)	
To: Commissioner for Patents		
P.O. Box 1450		
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450		

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

This Response is filed in reply to the Final Office Action mailed August 17, 2006.